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(b) whether the Government are going to revise them to bring them up to date, and, if so, when ;

(c) whether a committee was appointed to consider the revision of the Grant-in-Aid Code ; whether it has reported, and, if so, whether the Government will be pleased to place the report of the committee on the table ; and

(d) whether the Government have considered the recommendations of the committee and whether they are in a position to state which of them they will accept and which they will not ; and, whether the Government will be pleased to publish the reasons why they could not accept such of the recommendations as they have decided to reject ?

A.—(a) In 1906. Several alterations have been made in the Code and in the Rules since then.

(b) Yes. The Director of Public Instruction has been asked to submit revised drafts for approval.

(c) & (d) An Educational Conference was convened in 1916. The hon. Member is referred to the undermentioned proceedings of Government passing orders on the several recommendations of the Conference. The proposal as regards discretionary grants to aided secondary schools was dropped in view of the special grant of one lakh sanctioned by Government towards the improvement of the pay of teachers in aided secondary schools. The question of the revision of the list of backward classes is still under consideration :—

• G.O. No. 112, Home (Education), dated 25th January 1919.	
" 1042 " " 1st September 1919.	
" 1486 " " 11th December 1920.	
" 1346, Law (Education), " 19th September 1921.	
" 1471 " " 6th October 1921.	
" 1164 " " 3rd October 1922.	

A copy each of G.O. No. 1346, Law (Education), dated 19th September 1921 and G.O. No. 1164, Law (Education), dated 3rd October 1922, is now placed on the table.* The other proceedings referred to above have already been placed on the Editors' Table.

Report of the Secondary Education Committee.

860 Q.—Rao Bahadur T. A. RAMALINGA CHETTIYAR : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have considered the report of the Secondary Education Committee and passed orders thereon ; if so, whether the Government will be pleased to place the papers on the table ; and

(b) whether the Government propose to take any action on the report ; if so, when ; and whether any legislation is likely to be undertaken in connexion with the same and, if so, when ?

A.—The report of the Education Committee has been placed on the Editors' Table. It is under the consideration of Government and any legislation to be undertaken will depend upon the result of that consideration.